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SUBJECT: PALAU'S RESPONSE ON THE GOLDSTONE REPORT FOLLOW-UP ACTION

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As instructed reftel, on February 23, Charge delivered demarche to Palauan Minister of State, who advised that Palau's representative to the U.N. would be instructed to vote against the Palestinian-drafted resolution on the Goldstone Report. As Palau is in arrears on its U.N. dues, however, it is doubtful that it will be allowed to vote. Charge suggested to the Minister that Palau pay the amount owed so it could vote, but the response was not encouraging, as she stated that Palau's financial position was terrible.

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